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WISCONSIN BMW MOTORRAD CLUB

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WISCONSIN CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

First I'd like to thank all the participants in the Round Robin last Saturday. The only thing warmer than the day was the hospitality of the 3 stops. Thank you so much to John Erdman, Brian Manke, Heidi Goehring, Kevin Krueger and Kathy Waters for hosting us! I had a great time and the food couldn't have been better. Plus we had a few guests which were great to meet. We are all going to ask Kevin for garage decorating advice.

The JULY MEETING IS on Saturday July 8th, with a rally meeting prior that everyone is welcome. Bob Reightburger has graciously volunteered his backyard again. Please try and come. NEW MEMBERS ALSO! Bring a swimsuit!

Rally time is getting close, please volunteer! New members, I hope to see you all there.

Everyone returned safely from the National Rally, Mike Cohen has a couple nice things to say about the MOA Anonymous book. One of our best accessories.

Our club is a riding club, and a social club. I hope to see more of the new members.

I leave you with this:

There are good ships, There are wood ships.
Ships that sail the sea, But the best ships are Friendships.
And may they always be!



Ride safe.

Bob Lannin,

PRESIDENT

CAN YOU NAME THIS CLUB MEMBER?

This is the Great Circus Parade.

PHOTO SUBMITTED BY
BOB LANNIN

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 3rd — Annual Breakfast Ride to Boscobel!
Meet at the BP gas station in Palymra at 6am, departing at 6:15
Details on page 3

JULY CLUB MEETING— DATE & LOCATION CHANGE

July 8th — Rally Meeting 11am
Lunch BYOB & a dish to pass Noon
Club Meeting 1pm
Details on page 3 under Rally Report

July 15th — Short Track Racing 5pm
Aztalan Cycle Club
N6643 Gomol Rd, Lake Mills \$10
~ just FYI ~ Not club sponsored

August 4th — Club Meeting 8pm
VFW Post 5716, 17980 W Beloit Rd.
New Berlin, WI

August 11-13 — Club Campout, Sturgeon Bay
FREE Camping or motel it at nearby
Motel 57: 920-746-8000
Details on page 5

August 12th — Memorial Bricks Placement @
the **Wisconsin Motorcycle Memorial Park**, Sturgeon Bay, WI 2pm
Details on page 5

NO CLUB MEETING IN SEPTEMBER!!!

*Come to the Rally!!!
Support Your Club!!!*

September 8-10 — 52nd Annual Dells Rally
Easter Seals Camp Wawbeek
1450 State Hwy 13, Wisconsin Dells, WI
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Happy Birthday To You!!!!

July 9

Glen Bishop

July 12

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July 19

Janet Ewert

July 21

Jim Ketter

July 26

Gail Henderson

July 28

Dewayne Williams

July 30

Debra Lambert

July 31

Nathan Heinrichs



FUNGI SIGHTING

LEFT:

Mike & Jeanne Cohen out carousing at the Morel Festival near the Great River Road Rally.

PHOTO SUBMITTED BY BOB LANNIN

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'RETURN TO BOSCOBEL' BREAKFAST RIDE JULY 3RD, 2023



This is the 11th year for my ride to Boscobel for breakfast. This all started as something to do on my day off work on July 4th. This year, I am also off on the 3rd. Since last year the *Unique Cafe* closed on the 4th. So, this year, the 3rd it is!

The meeting location is the BP station in Palmyra at 6am with a 6:15am departure. We will follow country roads 150 miles to Boscobel with a stop after about 80 miles for a quick break. We will arrive at the *Unique Cafe* between 9:30 and 10am for breakfast.

After breakfast everyone can take their own route home ~ or you are welcome to follow me. Total miles for the day will be a bit over 300 miles.

SUBMITTED BY DOUG TWING, MEMBER AT LARGE



RALLY REPORT

JULY 2023

The 52nd annual Wisconsin Dells Rally is rapidly approaching. Mona and I still have much to do. Most of the routine stuff has been done but there are still a few loose ends.

The following needs to be finalized: Live music, committee chairs, on-grounds food and beer, etc.

There will be a rally meeting on Saturday, July 8, 11:00am to 12:00pm (with lunch to follow). The July Club meeting will follow at 1:00pm.

Bob Reitberger has graciously volunteered his home to host this event and will have his swimming pool available for use. 10402 W. Beloit Road, Greenfield, WI.

The club will sponsor burgers and brats/hot dogs. Please BYOB and a dish to pass if possible. Please let ME know if and what you will bring for better coordination. Please contact me at any time with questions, suggestions, or concerns. Thank you!

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WI BMW CLUB MEETING JUNE 2, 2023

SUBMITTED BY HEIDI GOEHRING,
FILLING IN FOR KATHY WATERS, CLUB SECRETARY

(Secretary Kathy was absent and had asked Heidi to fill in. Heidi discovered traffic nightmares including farm equipment, inattentive drivers pulling out in traffic—then not going the speed limit only to turn off in a short distance, and of course, a TRAIN! Tim Koester took minutes the first ten minutes. Thank you Tim!)

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 pm.

President Bob asked for a show of hands as to who is going to the National Rally. He made it known he would NOT be providing bail.

VP Report: Great Fish Fry Ride and venue. 54 people attended.

Treasurer Report: Our checking acct. is flush. Expenditures were 10 green club shirts.

Rally Report: Bob P. reported that he has limited internet access and it's creating issues. He hasn't been able to print flyers.

Also, the club was given a pass to the Hiawatha Rally that started today. Is anyone still planning on attending? The pass is yours. No takers. For future reference, a pic could have been taken and emailed to Jimmy G who is already there. Oops!

OLD BUSINESS :

Mike C has checked into our constitution. Apparently, the constitution document must include the bylaws. Ours does, but is titled simply, "Constitution." Mike made a motion to retitle our constitution to officially add "and Bylaws" to the title. Motions was seconded by Angie and passed unanimously.

Mike C. also mentioned he has brought in Ron F. riding gear for the last time. All must go tonight. All reasonable offers will be accepted. Bike seats, tank bags, jackets, footwear and more available. Mona offered to sell on FB Marketplace.

Member updates:

Bill Stephan has full blown ALS. He's listed in the membership directory. Give him a call.

Dick Moore has moved to assisted living due to Nephropathy. Contact Bob L. for location info.

Gordie Paulowske has gotten a new pacemaker and is at home recovering comfortably.

Eddy Boscamp is moving back to the area. He put out a request for bike storage while he completes his move in steps. Bob L. said he was impressed with how many club members said they could help out. Eddy has faithfully paid dues for the many years he lived out-of-state and wasn't able to participate fully as a club member. He's coming B-A-C-K!

Member at Large report: Doug provided a Round Robin Reminder (June 24, 2023). This prompted a discussion of how to post on Social Media so as not to post the hosting members private information. Decision was that Bob L. would handle any non-member inquiries that aren't coming through a member to vouch for them. It was also noted that anyone wishing to join the club could complete two club rides by attending the Round Robin, and for members counting points, each leg of the 'led' rides would be counted as separate rides.

Oopsy – something usually done at the beginning of the meeting: *Any guests?* Two prospective new members were in attendance: Jeff Johnson from Fond du Lac and Joe Martinez from Kenosha.

NEW BUSINESS :

We have not yet committed to the MOA National Rally Charity, which we traditionally have done. This years charity is Caroline's Promise which supports needs of the youth of Caroline County, Virginia, which is the local charity selected by the MOA. Mike C. made a motion to donate \$200 as previous years. Mona 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. Mike will contact the MOA and tell them of the donation enroute, and take the check with him to the National.

President Bob asked members present if there were any objections to moving the July meeting from Friday the 7th to Saturday the 8th. Bob R. is willing to host us in his backyard and plans to have the pool open. This also allows us to have a rally meeting. A motion was made by Bob, 2nd by Mona, and passed unanimously.

Mike L. is working on a rustic roads ride. This will include enough of Wisconsin's rustic roads to earn a patch from the Wisconsin DOT. Date to be announced

The usual July 4th ride has been moved to July 3rd. This ride to Boscobel is eagerly looked forward to. Meet at the BP in Palmyra at 6am on JULY 3rd. Doug T. will lead.

As the meeting was wrapping up – I made the announcement that I would be accepting RSVPs and fees for the Round Robin after the meeting. Head count is necessary to ensure y'all get fed!

Dave K. made a motion to adjourn. Mona 2nd. No discussion. All in Favor. Aye!



MEMORIAL BRICK PLACEMENT

SUBMITTED BY HEIDI GOEHRING

The date is set! We will be placing Memorial Bricks for Ward & Em Erdmann and Karen Jacobs on Saturday, August 12th, 2023 at 2pm. The Wisconsin Motorcycle Memorial Park is located at 4758 Mathey Road, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235. GPS coordinates: 44.9020056 • -87.3162722

For those of you that knew Desert Don, a regular Dells Rally attendee, there will be a separate placement of a brick remembering him as well.

Options for attending are:

- Club campout – Fri-Sun, August 11-13, FREE camping! My property is just off Hwy. 57 at the edge of Sturgeon Bay. Very private and secluded. 2.5 acres for camping. Amenities include fire pit, picnic table, gas grill, gas stove/oven, microwave, refrigerator, flushing toilet for ladies and large loads, shelter if raining, and more. Just need a head count. RSVP to Heidi, your friendly newsletter editor, by August 4th.
- Hotel it – **Motel 57** is right in front of the camping property. Seasonal rates apply and a weekend requires a 3-night stay. The rooms all have cooking facilities. And it's a very short walk to the campout ~ like 2 minutes (if even). I was unable to get us a group rate, so you're on your own. Call to make your reservation today! 920-746-8000
- Ride up – Tim K. and Dewayne W. have expressed interest in a day trip. If it's hot out, I recommend running up Hwy. 42 and enjoying the cool lakeshore.

Ride leads are requested. If you're interested in leading a ride to the campout on Friday or running up on Saturday, please let me know and I'll publish in the August newsletter to make it an official club ride. Hope we get a nice size group to attend!

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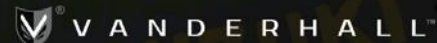
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MY RIDE HOME FROM THE NATIONAL

Zen and the art of motorcycle maintenance struck once again. We got an early start heading home from Virginia, hoping to ride a little over 450 miles to our hotel in Morehead, KY before thunderstorms came through late in the day. I was following Mike through light rain about 100 miles from our destination when my bike started sputtering, choking and finally died.

Luckily was able to pull over just before an exit ramp. Unluckily, the mountain road was banked a bit too steep for my side stand and the bike fell and slid into the exit lane. I wasn't hurt at all, but was worried my bike would get hit. A young man stopped almost immediately and helped lift and stabilize the bike. Apparently, a bunch of cars called 911 to report a "crash" and state patrol arrived quickly to protect the scene while I awaited for my chivalrous knight of a husband to find me. (Thank you smart phone!).

Our roadside towing assistance was useless in WV on a Sunday as State patrol predicted. They called their own guy who came in a jiffy. In the meantime, Mike consulted the magic MOA anonymous book and a wonderful member named Paul appeared with a likely diagnosis of a cracked (and wet) Hall sensor.

Paul drove me to a Super 8. The following day, he trailered my bike to his personal garage and held onto it until we could come back for it. Lots more to say about Paul, but that's another story.

I forgot to mention that Mark and Tina texted they took an alternate route and were 90 miles north of us. Tina backtracked with her car and picked me up. Mike left for home asap the next day.

We were in Huntington, WV near the Kentucky border.

SUBMITTED BY JEANNE COHEN

MIKE'S ADDENDUM:

The four of us made it home tired, but safe and sound. After getting home, and fixing up my trailer, I returned to WV to pick up Jeanne's bike from Paul's garage.



JEANNE'S BIKE READY TO RETURN TO WI & PAUL, OUR RESCUER.

ADDITIONAL RALLY TRAVELERS



A group of us traveled together to the BMW MOA 50th Rally in June. I took the this photo when we stopped to look at the *New River Gorge Bridge* in West Virginia.

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: *Kevin P., Shad V., Bob R., Doug T., Dennis P. and Jim E.*

SUBMITTED BY
KEVIN PEPPIN

COMING IN NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE:
Round Robin Follow-up

MORE NAT'L RALLY PHOTOS



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8 - 10, 2023

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Inquiries and other questions send an email to DellsRally@Gmail.com

**More information and registration forms
can be found at www.wiscbmwclub.com**



MEETINGS ARE THE 1ST FRIDAY
OF EACH MONTH AT 8 PM
(exceptions: January, May and September)
@ VFW Post 5716
17980 West Beloit Road, New Berlin, WI
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WISCONSIN CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Many long and lasting friendships have been made through the Wisconsin Club since its inception in 1967. You are welcome to come and join us and meet the friendly and knowledgeable people who share a mutual respect for riding BMW motorcycles.

Our membership includes men, women, families, couples, and singles. Our meetings are open to all BMW riders.

During the riding season, we sponsor many activities, including group rides, tech days, social get-togethers, and in September we host the annual Wisconsin Dells Rally.

Visitors are welcome. If you are interested in membership, you will be asked to attend two club rides and two monthly club meetings within 12 months prior to being voted in by the general membership. You must own and operate a BMW motorcycle. Helmets and proof of insurance are required by all participants on club rides.

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